

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant's representatives, Shirley Anderson and Dino Kujundzic, appreciate Examiner Syed's participation in a telephonic conference of November 13, 2008. Applicant's representatives wish to thank Examiner Syed for his time and consideration.

During the interview, the claimed subject matter of the application and the Altinel, Sailaja, and Yan references were discussed. In particular, Applicant's representatives presented arguments along the lines of those set forth below in the section entitled "Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §103". Specifically, Applicant's representatives presented arguments how the references do not disclose, teach, or suggest features, such as evaluating multiple queries in parallel.

Also discussed during the interview were proposed amendments to the claims. Examiner Syed indicated that proposed amendments were moving the application in the right direction, and the Examiner tentatively agreed that the proposed amendments would overcome the cited references. In the interest of expediting prosecution of the application, and without conceding the propriety of the rejection, Applicant's representatives propose to amend the independent claims to further clarify features of Applicant's claimed subject matter.

Accordingly, Applicant's representatives amend the independent claims herein, as discussed during the interview. Applicant's representatives submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance.